WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1.- An immediate-release fenofibrate composition comprising:

(a) an inert hydrosoluble carrier covered with at least one layer containing fenofibrate in a micronized form having a size less than 20 μm, a hydrophilic polymer and, optionally, a surfactant; said hydrophilic polymer making up at least 20% by weight of (a); and

(b) optionally one or several outer phase(s) or layer(s).

2.- The composition according to claim 1, in which a surfactant is present with fenofibrate and the hydrophilic polymer.

3.- The composition according to claim, in which the hydrophilic polymer is polyvinylpyrrolidone.

4.- The composition according to claim 2, in which fenofibrate and the surfactant are co-micronized.

5.- The composition according to claim 2, in which said surfactant is sodium laurylsulfate.

6.- The composition according to claim 1, in which the hydrophilic polymer is polyvinylpyrrolidone, and a surfactant is present with fenofibrate.

7.- The composition according to claim 6, in which fenofibrate and the surfactant are co-micronized.

8.- The composition according to claim 6, in which said surfactant is sodium laurylsulfate.

9.- The composition according to claim 1, in which the weight ratio fenofibrate/hydrophilic polymer is comprised between 1/10 and 4/1.

10.- The composition according to claim 6, in which the weight ratio fenofibrate/hydrophilic polymer is comprised between 1/10 and 4/1.

11.- The composition according to claim 1, in which the weight ratio fenofibrate/hydrophilic polymer is comprised between 1/2 and 2/1.

12.- The composition according to claim 6, in which the weight ratio fenofibrate/hydrophilic polymer is comprised between 1/2 and 2/1.

13.- The composition according to claim 1, in which, based on the weight of (a), said inert hydrosoluble carrier makes up from 10 to 80% by weight, said fenofibrate makes up from 5 to 50% by weight, said hydrophilic polymer makes up from 20 to 60% by weight, and said surfactant makes up from 0 to 10% by weight.

14.- The composition according to claim 1, in which, based on the weight of (a), said inert hydrosoluble carrier makes up from 20 to 50% by weight, said fenofibrate makes up from 20 to 45% by weight, said hydrophilic polymer makes up from 25 to 45% by weight, and said surfactant makes up from 0.1 to 3% by weight.

15.- The composition according to claim 6, in which, based on the weight of (a), said inert hydrosoluble carrier makes up from 10 to 80% by weight, said fenofibrate makes up from 5 to 50% by weight, said hydrophilic polymer makes up from 20 to 60% by weight, and said surfactant makes up from 0 to 10% by weight.

16.- The composition according to claim 6, in which, based on the weight of (a), said inert hydrosoluble carrier makes up from 20 to 50% by weight, said fenofibrate makes up from 20 to 45% by weight, said hydrophilic polymer makes up from 25 to 45% by weight, and said surfactant makes up from 0.1 to 3% by weight.

17.- The composition according to claim 1, in which the individual particle size of said inert hydrosoluble carrier is comprised between 50 and 500 microns.

18.- An immediate-release fenofibrate composition comprising:

(a) an inert hydrosoluble carrier covered with at least one layer containing fenofibrate in a micronized form having a size less than 20 μm, polyvinylpyrrolidone, and a surfactant; and

(b) optionally one or several outer phase(s) or layer(s),

in which, based on the weight of (a), said inert hydrosoluble carrier makes up from 20 to 50% by weight, said fenofibrate makes up from 20 to 45% by weight, said polyvinylpyrrolidone makes up from 25 to 45% by weight, and said surfactant makes up from 0.1 to 3% by weight.

19.- The composition according to claim 18, in which said surfactant is sodium laurylsulfate, which is co-micronized with fenofibrate.

20.- A composition comprising fenofibrate having a dissolution of at least 10% in 5 minutes, 20% in 10 minutes, 50% in 20 minutes and 75% in 30 minutes, as measured using the rotating blade method at 75 rpm according to the European Pharmacopoeia, in a dissolution medium constituted by water with 2% by weight polysorbate 80 or with 0.025M sodium lauryl sulfate.

21.- The composition according to claim 1, under the form of a tablet.

22.- The composition according to claim 6, under the form of a tablet.

23.- The composition according to claim 18, under the form of a tablet.

24.- The composition according to claim 20, under the form of a tablet.

25.- The composition according to claim 21 under the form of a tablet resulting from the compression of elements (a) together with an outer phase.

26.- The composition according to claim 22 under the form of a tablet resulting from the compression of elements (a) together with an outer phase.

27.- The composition according to claim 23 under the form of a tablet resulting from the compression of elements (a) together with an outer phase.

28.- A method for preparing a composition according to claim 1, comprising the steps of:

(a) preparing a fenofibrate suspension in micronized form with a particle size below 20 μm, in a solution of hydrophilic polymer and, optionally surfactant;

(b) applying the suspension from step (a) to an inert hydrosoluble carrier;

(c) optionally, coating granules thus obtained with one or several phase(s) or layer(s).

29.- The method according to claim 28, in which step (b) is carried out in a fluidized-bed granulator.

30.- The method according to claim 28, comprising a step in which products obtained from step (b) or (c) are compressed.

31.- A suspension of fenofibrate in micronized form having a size less than 20 μm, in a solution of hydrophilic polymer and, optionally, a surfactant.

32.- The suspension of fenofibrate according to claim 31, in which the fenofibrate concentration is from 1 to 40% by weight.

33.- The suspension of fenofibrate according to claim 31, in which the hydrophilic polymerconcentration is from 5 to 40% by weight.

34.- The suspension of fenofibrate according to claim 31, in which the surfactant is present at a concentration below 5% by weight.